

REMARKS:

Applicant has carefully considered the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed July 20, 2004. Reconsideration of the application in view of the present response is respectfully requested.

The amendment filed on July 1, 2004 was considered to be non-compliant because a clean copy of the amended abstract was not submitted on a separate sheet of paper. Please replace the originally filed abstract with the amended abstract, a clean copy of which is enclosed herewith.

The amendment filed on July 1, 2004 was in response to a non-final Office Action. Less than thirty days have transpired since the mailing date of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if it is felt that the prosecution of this application may be expedited thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

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